

## ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING 420 West State Street Rockford, Illinois 61101-1288 815-987-5800

POLICE DEPARTMENT CHET EPPERSON CHIEF OF POLICE

## ARREST RELEASE

DATE & TIME 09/04/09 4:11 PM

Bureau: Investigative Services Bureau

Authorized Supervisor: DC Greg Lindmark

Phone: 815 967 6976

Incident: Narcotics Investigation at 800 Illinois and 1031 Island

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## **MESSAGE**

In a joint drug investigation, members of the Rockford Police Department, Winnebago County Sheriff's, Stateline Area Narcotics Team (SLANT) and the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) stopped a vehicle that had been involved with delivering heroin to customers. While in the 800 block of Illinois Ave. three suspects fled on foot from the vehicle. After a foot chase, all three suspects were taken into custody. Detectives recovered numerous individual packets of heroin and crack cocaine as well as United States currency.

Following up on information gained from the arrests, officers went to 1031 Island Ave. Once there, officers encountered four individuals at the front of the residence. While speaking to the individuals, two of them took off running. One was quickly taken into custody after a brief struggle with officers. It was discovered by the arresting officers that the suspect had a loaded 9mm Ruger semi automatic handgun in his waistband. The other suspect was located and taken into custody a short distance away without further incident. Officers then recovered several grams of crack cocaine. A total of five individuals were arrested and lodged in the Winnebago County Jail.

Arrested: Murray, Corey V. 19, Rockford

Charge: Criminal Drug Conspiracy, Delivery of Heroin 1-15 grams in a drug free zone, Possession with intent to deliver cocaine 1-15 grams and Possession with intent to deliver heroin 1-15 grams both in a drug free zone, Resisting/Obstructing a Peace officer.

Bond: To be set by Judge (Felony charge)

Arrested: Valentine, Marktavis D.19, Rockford

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Arrested: Manning, Billy R. 18, Rockford

Charge: Resisting/Obstructing a Peace Officer

Bond: \$1,000

Arrested: Laster, Kenneth D. 20, Rockford

Charge: Unlawful Use of Weapon (No F.O.I.D.), Resisting/Obstructing a Peace Officer.

Bond: \$1,000

Arrested: Lambert, Sedric C. 20, Rockford

Charge: Possession with intent to deliver cocaine 1-15 grams within a drug free zone.

All subjects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



Murray, Corey V.



Valentine, Marktavis D.



Manning, Billy R.



Laster, Kenneth



Lambert, Sedric